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Please find an Amendment transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified  
patent application.

Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time in which to respond  
to the office action dated June 27, 2006, for which a response period expiring on September  
27, 2006 was set. The extended period expires on December 27, 2006.

Please charge the \$510.00 extension of time fee and any additional fees required to  
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This response is submitted in reply to an Office Action mailed on June 27, 2006. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully petition for a three month extension of time to file this response on or before December 27, 2006 and provide payment of the required fee for a 3 month extension of time in the accompanying transmittal. Applicants authorize the Patent and Trademark Office to charge any required fee to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. Applicants respectfully request entry of the present Amendment in the above-identified case.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: